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To the Cosmic Spirit of Constancy and Those Great Beings Whose constancy of purpose, service and endeavor have drawn Them into the Ascended Master Realm of Perfection :

We send Our deep and abiding love to the Spirit of Our Sun, Whose constant, rhythmic outpouring makes possible the habitation of the Earth at this time! We direct Our love and blessings to the Great Archii, Constance, Who, together with the Beloved Jophiel, amplifies the virtue of constancy through the nature of mankind, *when invited so to do.*

We invoke the stimulation of the smouldering spark of constancy that lies hidden within the depths of the Immortal Flame in each human heart! Beloved Constance, Spirit of the Sun! Play Your constant light rays upon that spark until every man becomes *constant* in his resolutions to return to God; in his present service to God and his fellowman; in his devotion to the development of his particular capacities and talents, which he may offer on the altar of humanity before returning to his Celestial Home to go out no more!

We bless all the men and women who have walked the ways of Earth and, through constancy of purpose, have provided the benefactions which the masses have indifferently accepted but liberally utilized for personal pleasure and comfort!

This month, LET CONSTANCY of endeavor; of purpose; of service; BE MANIFEST among Our gentle readers, Our co-workers in this Activity and all mankind.

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(NOTE: For further description of the focus in Kashmir, please see Transmission Flame Book, pp. 36-41; The Bridge to Freedom, Vol. 11, No. 4.)

Excerpts from an Address by BELOVED KUTHUMI on Spiritual Pioneers

June 28, 1954.

Beloved Children of God the Father! In the Name of the Lord Buddha, in the Name of the Cosmic Christ and through the full power of the Second Ray, I bring you greetings and blessings of Our light and understanding. Absorb it. Use it. Weave it as you will into the perfume of your own being; into the radiant colors of your personal aura and into that exquisite, individual design, which it is your privilege and honor to manifest in expanding the Will of God and the borders of your Father's Kingdom on the planet Earth at this time.

You are the shepherds of the race. You have been chosen by the great Lord Maitreya because in your Causal Body there is a certain wealth of experience and momentums of service. You are now being given an opportunity to receive more understanding of the law and through that understanding you will make your own minds and bodies more useful in carrying the words, radiation and works of the Masters to the rest of mankind. The choice of those lifestreams who are to receive a more than ordinary blessing is dependent upon the wealth of accumulated good in the Causal Body. There is never a mistake made when an individual is invited into the Presence of the Ascended Masters and asked to partake of Their spiritual food. The Manu of each Root Race chooses for the first initial impulse of incarnation in that Root Race, the lifestreams whose Causal Bodies are richest in the particular requisite qualities which will be necessary to build a foundation of merit in the world of form. Those individuals are given the first invitation to participate in the glorious work of pioneering and those

with less store of the developed momentum, strength, capacities and powers to serve that particular era, come later to enjoy the fruits and the harvest planted by the valiant, the bold and the strong spiritual pioneers.

Every two thousand years, in Our activity as Representatives of the Second Ray, it is the responsibility of the current World Teacher (presently Lord Maitreya), to look upon the patterns which provide opportunity for the evolutionary progress of the planet and its people. The World Teacher commissions His Lieutenant to look upon and study the soul light and development of every lifestream belonging to the evolution. In itself, this is not a small task. The type of religion and the type of worship that will be developed and externalized in that era will be determined entirely by the capacity of the souls belonging to the evolution to assimilate, digest and to use for themselves and others, gifts prepared to nourish their spiritual identity. As the great Cosmic Wheel prepares to move every two thousand years, making one complete revolution every fourteen thousand years, the World Teacher begins to study the Divine Plan for the current two thousand year cycle and, in cooperation with the Chohan Who is to be the presiding Master of that two thousand year cycle,—the World Teacher develops a system of religion, a system of ceremonial worship, a system of teaching and education which can best accelerate the progress of the individual and the collective units. The great Cosmic Wheel has turned many, many times and, at the completion of each fourteen thousand years, a new group of souls was intended to have attained God maturity. It should take approximately fourteen thousand years from the time of its first incarnation for one soul to achieve God Mastery upon the planet Earth. That soul is exposed every two thousand years to the radiation of the predominant Ray, starting with the First Ray, presently presided over by El Morya; then the Second Ray, of which I am presently Representative; then the Third Ray now under the direction of the Beloved Venetian; then the Fourth Ray under the direction of Beloved Serapis Bey; then the Fifth Ray under the direction of Hilarion; then the Sixth Ray under the direction of Master Jesus and, finally, the Seventh Ray under the direction of Saint Germain.

Of course, the present Chohans have not held these offices from the beginning of time. In the beginning, at the very

first descent of mankind upon the Earth, the Seven Great Archangels held the offices of the Seven Chohans. Then as lifestreams evolved, They took over such Offices, giving freedom to the Archangels to work in Higher Realms. The Divine Plan is that the fourteen thousand year cycle, as the wheel turns, is necessary to nourish the seven spiritual centers within each consciousness and his seven vehicles to make the man, at the end of that fourteen thousand years, a God-dignified Prince similar to your Master Jesus and Saint Germain. However, as mankind has lived and inhabited the Earth for millions of years, you will see how far behind we are in the progress of the entire evolutionary scheme. Now we have come to the turning of the Cosmic Wheel again. The Sixth Dispensation of the Master Jesus has closed and the opening of the outpouring of the Seventh Ray has begun. I would like to give you the aspect of the activity of the Second Ray in connection with the promotion of this Seventh Ray service.

When the Beloved Lord Maitreya began to design the new world religion with the Beloved Saint Germain, They had to take into consideration first, the Cosmic fiat of the Eternal that the planet Earth and her people were either required to give forth the light which the Cosmic Law demanded, or the Earth would be dissolved. They also had to take into consideration the capacity of the ten billion souls belonging to the evolutions, to receive, understand and apply the instruction given. This was no easy task, because the climax of the fourteen thousand year cycle should be established when every lifestream is already developed to the status of a Christ under the Sixth Ray. Every man, woman and child, already under the Sixth Ray's radiation for two thousand years, should have become Masters like Beloved Jesus. Then as the Seventh Ray comes into action with *ordered service* and the ceremonial activities begin, the entire evolution should be ready to participate in the glorious cooperation between the visible Angelic Host, the God loving men and women and the Elemental Kingdom. You can see how far short of this preparation are even the shepherds; yet We have but a few years to at least raise the shepherds to a point where the instruction of the New Day, the Divine Ceremonial activities of the Master Saint Germain, can be anchored through those shepherds and then brought intelligently by them to mankind. In these circum-

stances, We are fortunate in having any men and women even willing to listen to Us.

My beloved Brother Morya and Myself have worked since early in the nineteenth century to reach the consciousness of mankind. You are all familiar with Our endeavors through the Theosophical Society, which We bless forever for having given an intellectual knowledge of the Masters to so many of the people in the Occidental world. We are also extremely grateful to Mrs. Bailey and to those other chelas for continuity of Our instructions, by which the consciousness of people could be reached who are eager to receive, but unable yet to draw from their own heart the necessary higher instruction at this time. There is no way for the Great White Brotherhood to reach the outer consciousness of the mankind of Earth, except through some members of the human race who still wear bodies of flesh; who still are part of the substance of Earth. We must use your lips; your bodies; your consciousness; the conviction and faith of your feeling world; the clarity of reception of your mental bodies; to convey the pattern and plan for the New Era to the masses. You can readily understand that the greatest individual service you can render Us is to purify and harmonize your own vehicles and to give Us the freedom through you (by the power of radiation) to reach mankind.

In every way possible, We are endeavoring to present the special activities of the various members of the Brotherhood. Lord Maitreya and Saint Germain, in discussing these plans of activity for this New Era, determined, among other things, to bring the Masters through the veil into your feelings, so that you can know Us as living, breathing Beings. To this end, Lord Maitreya asks that We share with you certain personal experiences through which We went and by which We gained Our Victory. Describing Our Own happiness, trials and experiences, We wish to give you the feeling that We, too, were men and women not long since; but through determination and love of God as well as love for our fellowman, We raised Ourselves to this Perfect Estate. Beloved Lord Maitreya further desired that the student be acquainted with the specific activities of the various members of the Hierarchy. We are all "specialists". If you get this understanding, it will relieve you of the tremendous feelings of personal disquiet and jealousy with

regard to the accomplishments of one or the other of your fellow workers. Even within the Ascended Master's Realm, beloved ones, We all are specialists. That means that We have taken primal life, which provides the beat of the Flame in Our hearts and have invested that life in promoting certain activities. Thus have We become Masters of the qualification of energy along specific lines which have builded into Our Causal Bodies. These are certain momentums of specialized energy which, just like money in the bank, is Ours to use and call forth when the requirement of the hour demands it. You, too, are specialists, each and every one of you. Your own Causal Bodies contain certain momentums of achievement which you have builded into them through service in the Healing Temples; through service in the political world; through service of mercy or education; to whatever your lifestream has chosen to devote itself through the ages. Being specialists, you have been chosen by the Cosmic Christ, even as one would pick a bouquet; each beautiful flower blending with the other to make a lovely grouping. The very blending of the colors and the perfumes, the shapes and the fragrances, make that bouquet an exquisite thing for all to see. So has Lord Maitreya, the Master Saint Germain, the Beloved Morya and every one connected with the fashioning of the heart center of this New Endeavor, looked upon the Causal Bodies of each of you and drawn you together, so that the specialization of your own good might become part of the strength of the whole. Do you see? It is a tremendous thing, because the blending of the good of your Causal Bodies will build into this bridge from the Divine to the human, the strength required to carry the weight of the entire race, so that they may pass into fuller and more perfect freedom.

Speaking of Our specialization, except for the esoteric students, mankind has not understood much about what the various Chohans, the various Archangels, the various Elohim and the various members of the Brotherhood have done. Lord Maitreya has asked Us, whenever We are given opportunity to speak, to give some portion of that specific service which We render in the Divine Plan. That is why I tell you that the Beloved Lord Maitreya, Saint Germain and Myself have worked out a course of religion, of ceremonial worship, of spiritual education, which We are endeavoring to direct through this

heart center, into the consciousness of interested people; later into the consciousness of all mankind. It is regrettable that, as so much of Our life has had to be used to coax the reluctant energies of the various students into any semblance of unity, We have not been able to bring forth the beauty of the Ceremonial Worship which I know will delight your hearts. However, We feel that that unity, harmony and oneness (which comes with understanding) will give Us a momentum upon which to build for the future.

You are men and women who have left the mass mind for one reason or another. I know you all well. As I watched the healing activity in which you participated today and saw the currents of the Devas of Healing play through the room, in retrospect I was going over the association which I've had with every one of you through the centuries. As I stood thus, I contemplated the various motive that placed your dear feet first on the Spiritual Path. Not in this life alone have you sought Spiritual Truth, for you have been on the Path a long time, each one of you. In this embodiment you have again chosen to arise, finally throw off your child's estate, face your God and ask for your reason for being. That is a magnificent initiation and accomplishment. Do you know, no Angel, no Master, no Deva, no Elemental would presume to ask for the use of life or the sustaining of life through his individualization, without knowing his reason for being? Each such an one uses all of that life given to him by God to fulfill that reason and purpose. Mankind, as Our Brothers have said, *love the use of life,* but *you must learn to love and revere life itself.*

This class is dedicated to developing within you a respect for life; a reverence for the Source of life and an honor and integrity within yourselves toward that Source. Ask every morning and every free moment through your day: "what is my reason for being?" When that is determined within you, you will not be dishonest enough to take God's life for any other purpose. No words, no acts, no gestures, no thoughts, no feelings will be used to satisfy personality. Every electron you use will fulfill your reason for being. Then you have made the "great surrender"; then no matter what the challenge of the day, resting in that serenity, you know your reason for being. You expand your light to widen the borders of the Kingdom

and to bring the words and understanding of the Masters to mankind. You will not become weary. You will know no discontent, no loneliness, no depression, no selfishness, no sorrow. You will be like the Masters; like the Angels and the Devas, *JOYOUS*—your reason for being—*to do the WILL OF GOD.*

This morning, as I looked upon you, I was grateful to see that every one of you has faced your God and has asked the reason for your being. Not every one of you, however, has yet chosen to consecrate all of those vital energies that flow so freely, to fulfilling that reason. However, that, too, will come in time. We have learned to be extremely patient, for We have waited so long. That patience you, too, should learn before you walk into the resentful energies of the masses, carrying your light. Wear the garments of patience and that selfless benediction of love from Our Realm will enfold you. Thus shall your victory be assured.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA

By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: As the requirements of service are so great in this present world hour, how shall we sustain our spiritual and physical vitalities and yet not neglect our opportunity to serve?

GURU—Blessed chela: This is the age-old question, asked by every sincere, devoted member of the human race who has placed his feet upon the Path. The balance between drawing the vital currents of inspiration, wisdom, enthusiasm, radiating light and utilizing the benefits of such magnetized energies is the goal toward which the wise chela works.

CHELA—Beloved Master: We see on every hand opportunities to help and sometimes our zeal for service "eats us up". On the other hand, many seem indifferent to service, enjoying personal pleasure in Godly contemplation.

GURU—Blessed chela: These are the two extremes that manifest in the soul's return to God. They are symbolized in the consciousness of the Orient (worship without sufficient works) and in the consciousness of the Occident (works

without sufficient worship). It is the drawing together of the powers of magnetizing the gifts of God and the powers of radiating those gifts to mankind which forms Our present instruction to the chelas.

Be it known that the efficacy of the individual's capacity to serve God and his fellowman is dependent upon that individual's attunement with his own Presence. Wise is he who fills his cup at the Source. Be it known that gifts, powers, inspiration and strength received from that personal communion become the responsibility of the individual to utilize to help mankind, elemental life and nature. The activity of the group endeavors allows the *outlet* for ever increasing, balanced, qualified energies which have been magnetized and builded into the inner and physical bodies of the chela, through personal communion with the Presence of God.

Man's vehicles (mental, emotional, etheric and physical) through which the soul and Spirit find expression are constantly in the process of change. Each vehicle is made up of the substance and atoms of the strata in which it functions (i.e., the physical body is made up of the substance of this physical world, the etheric body is composed of etheric substance, etc.). The thoughts and feelings of the individual determine what elemental life is drawn into these bodies and what elemental life is discarded. As the vibratory action of the individual increases, the coarser substance is thrown off and the finer elements of each Realm are invited into the vehicles in question. As the process of refinement of the vehicles takes place, greater sensitivity to the Presence of God is developed and the daily communion becomes a more and more holy, sacred and truly enjoyable activity. When the vehicles of a man are made up of the coarser elements of each Sphere, they do not respond to the Spirit of Harmony, which is God. As these vehicles are refined (in themselves becoming harmonious, pure and tranquil), they are open to the subtle energies of the Godhead which find ready access into soul, mind, body and world. Coming into tune with the Infinite is a practical process of the refinement of the inner vehicles. I practiced this with some success at Crotona and many of My pupils were enabled to consciously change the elemental substance of their inner vehicles through

the "tuning up" of each body by purity of thought, feeling and action, to a point where individual and collective communion with God was a joy.

RAY-O-LIGHT BELOVED

Ray-O-Light, Ascended Master,
Is a Friend of love to me;
When I call Him, fear of shadows
Melts away eternally.

Flame of Fearlessness, Beloved,
Now possess me night and day;
Radiate Thy comfort through me
To all life upon my way.

Teach all men that fear is needless;
Teach all men that life is good;
Teach all men Truth universal—
Life is God's love—understood!

Ray-O-Light, by Thy great power,
Free all Earth from fear today!
All Her life and evolutions—
Let them live in Freedom's way.

Ray-O-Light, we do adore Thee!
Now possess us as Thine Own;
Transmute every doubt and shadow,
Raising Earth to her God Home.

Chorus (To be sung after each verse)

Fearlessness is mine!
Let it through me shine!
Ray-O-Light forever blazes
Fearlessness through me!

(After last Chorus)

Great, Great Central Sun,
Bless this Holy One!
Flood His world with gifts and blessings
For Earth's victory won!

Melody to be found in most Sunday School hymnals under title of "I Shall Not be Moved", first line beginning "As a tree beside the waters, etc." During these times of unusual and violent activities of the elements, *it is very, very important* to build a momentum of absolute fearlessness by the frequent repetition of these words in song or decree. If you seem unable to procure the music, PLEASE USE IT as often as you can as a decree, individually or in groups, silently or audibly as circumstances permit. If you will do this, one day you will be grateful that you did!

Once there was a man of wealth who had seven lovely sons. In their individual lives, each of these sons was exemplary but, together, they seemed not able to get along harmoniously. Knowing his life on Earth was about spent, for he was quite old and, desiring to save his estate from being wasted by constant bickering, he called his sons to him one day, with the request that each one bring with him a stick of wood. After they had all assembled, the father asked each boy to break off a piece of his stick, which each one did quite easily. Next he asked them to put all their sticks together in one bundle. They did. Then he asked the son holding the bundle of sticks to break it. This he could not do. Said the father: "Herein is the lesson I would teach you. Each of you individually may be 'broken'. Together, as a unit, you are invincible".

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK

ON CONSTANCY

MAHA CHOHAN

All accomplishment of lasting benefit to the Universe is based on the constancy of some self-conscious intelligence in sustaining the idea, form, mould or matrix, until the Universal light substance fills it with the proper proportion of itself, according to its size, durability and potential service to life. For every fully manifested precipitation due to the constancy of its creator, there are millions of uncompleted forms which dissolve again into the ethers for lack of rhythmic attention *through the feelings* and the thoughts. In the Nature Kingdom, constancy is developed in the spirits who are to sustain the form of plant, flower, shrub, tree, mountain, lake or sea, before they are given opportunity to draw these gifts into the world of form. In the Angelic Kingdom, constancy is developed before any Angel is allowed to participate in the carrying of the virtues of the Godhead into the atmosphere of Earth. Mankind comes now to a point in their spiritual development, where they must begin to practice constancy of application in order to know freedom.

EL MORYA

The Will of God is to externalize all the beauty, oppulence and perfection of the Kingdom of Heaven *through the individualized consciousness* of people of the Earth. The constant, rhythmic descent of ideas, patterns, forms and visions of portions of that perfection are often magnetized by men and women who are interested in the particular field of endeavor which will be benefited by the *developed and externalized* idea. However, to find the lifestream who is constant enough to hold that idea unwaveringly, before ridicule, scoffing, resistance of every kind, including personal limitations, is rare indeed. Many are the enthusiasts who *begin* to externalize an endeavor or vision—few who have the constancy to follow it through to ultimate fulfillment!

KUTHUMI

What exactly is "constancy of endeavor"? It is the capacity to follow through a piece of work from its inception to its completion; the capacity to recognize a vocation in which the lifestream might be of benefit to the race and then to accept the years of training, discipline, learning and serving to become proficient in that vocation; the capacity to receive a Divine inspiration, vision or pattern and to devote *rhythmically* a goodly portion of one's life and substance to clothing that vision with form that is available to one's fellowman (words, example, literature, etc.). Constancy is the capacity to single out one particular service and then refine the mind, purify the feelings and etheric consciousness and discipline the flesh so that the service receives the *best* of the developed capabilities of the individual consciousness.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

In the associations among mankind, the friend who is constant in his affections, faith and helpfulness, is to be cherished above all others. The "fair weather" friends are many; the constant friends are few. Our Brotherhood has chosen to be such Constant Friends to all mankind. It is Our purpose for being! No matter what the temporary appearance may be that dims the light of the Inner Presence, *We know* that Presence is within each soul and by warming the soul through kindly understanding, compassion and sincere interest, sooner or later the talents and capacities of the lifestream will break through the prison doors of indifference and lethargy, spreading their gifts upon the altar of humanity for the enrichment of all life. God give Me constant friends!

SERAPIS BEY

One of the requisites of an *accepted* member of the Brotherhood at Luxor is constancy of purpose. For the many vacillating souls that flit hither and yon, lighting like the butterfly upon the various aspects of truth and then seeking other facets of expression, there are very few who are constant in both purpose and design for living. When an individual applies for acceptance as a student at Luxor, he is subtley tested as to his power of concentration upon *one* aspect of the Law, to see if he is willing to make some virtue of God his own through perseverance. It is better to Master one weakness; to become a radiating

center of one virtue; to follow one specific line of service through to successful accomplishment; than to have a cursory acquaintanceship with many aspects and be Master of none. Individuals bore easily—their energies seeking always the outlet into the new and untried. Candidates for the Ascension remain constant to the aspect of Truth which their Teacher has provided for them, until that aspect becomes a real part of the evolving consciousness. The road up the Cosmic hill is traveled by the constant soul—his eyes upon the Ascension—but his energies, service and capacities harnessed to the specific service at hand. Discipline of mind, feelings and body are required to become Master. This is the Law!

HILARION

Why is constancy so important to spiritual development? Because the feeling nature of God, Master, Angel, Elemental or man, provides the *life* which fills the form created out of mind substance. Many individuals who receive an idea from the mind of God, cut out a fairly good form or pattern from Universal light substance through the use of the mental body. However, this pattern will not *live* unless it is *fed* by the sustained enthusiasm of the feeling nature which is the "life-giving power" of any Cause, pattern, vision or design. Grasping the vision of a New World is not enough. That vision is but any empty cup—like the lifeless body from whence the soul has fled—until the feelings release the energy through practical and sensible means to make that vision fact. Those of Us in the God-free Estate provide the Vision. Those of you in the physical world are required, by Cosmic Law, to make that vision *live* in the world in which you abide. If you are *constant* in your decrees, application and practical works, that vision becomes fact. If the vision is merely an amusement of the moment, it finally departs to seek externalization through a more constant lifestream.

JESUS

Constancy does not mean "blind obedience" to outworn formulas of science, religion or education. This is bigotry, intolerance and a block to progress. Again you have the thin "razor's edge" between a constructive and required quality to manifest Mastery and a puny excuse to avoid progress. The

constant man measures according to spiritual values the pattern, design, vision or endeavor which he is stimulated to serve. Then he proceeds to utilize the vast (mostly unharnessed) energies of his feelings, to develop and externalize that pattern and plan for his own good and that of his fellow-man. It is better for an individual to become proficient as a street-cleaner, than to be surfacely acquainted with the most difficult studies of calculus and accomplishing nothing of merit or benefit to himself or his fellowman.

When an individual has developed his consciousness to a point where he can grasp—even faintly—the vision of a New World, wise is he if he chooses to direct his controlled feelings and the substance of his world into that vision—with constancy—not spasmodically. Upon these few, We depend for the externalization of the New Day!

SAINT GERMAIN

Constancy of rhythmic, ceremonial service is essential before the concentrated foci of the Sacred Fire are drawn from the invisible to become the radiating blessings of all mankind. In the early Golden Ages, the Sacred Fire of the Will of God, Illumination, Love, Purity, Consecration, Healing and Transmutation, was visible to the physical sight of all mankind. Why? Because individuals had sworn a vow of constancy in magnetizing, expanding, protecting and sustaining those foci in the Temples of Light. According to their requirements, the populus was enabled to visit these foci and strengthen the particular virtue or gift which they needed to use in their individual lives. When there were no longer constant spirits to tend these concentrated Flames, They gradually disappeared from the Temples. To draw them forth again, the virtue of constancy must first be established among the men and women who profess to desire to magnetize and guard such Flames. Many of the experiences of life are merely for the purpose of testing the constancy of the nature "under fire". For the many who enjoy the service of magnetizing the Flame, while there is no pressure opposed to human will, there are few who will manifest (or really can manifest) constancy under pressure of opposition, ridicule, doubt, fear or the many inviting experiences which lure the unguarded from their self-chosen vocation in magnetizing and externalizing some activity of the Sacred Fire

for the blessings of mankind. What, exactly, would the physical, visible manifestation of a focus of the Sacred Fire mean to the Earth? It would mean the transformation of unbelief into sound acceptance of the Truth of life. It would provide a radiating center into which the weak, the halt, the sick, the confused, could come and renew themselves, each according to his own requirements. It would free elemental life in the atmosphere, in the bodies of mankind and in the Nature Kingdom, from imperfect manifestation. It would spur the less constant (but hopeful) ones to like accomplishment. This manifestation of a focus of the Sacred Fire is possible of accomplishment in this century! Let us see how constant those that love Me prove to be!

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

BELOVED CHILDREN OF EARNEST ENDEAVOR:

I greet you in the Name of the Spirit of Constancy! Through your individual and collective endeavors to serve the Cause of Freedom, I invoke the full, gathered Cosmic momentum of the constancy by which every member of the Great White Brotherhood has gained freedom and has given a specialized service to life!

In this period when constancy of purpose is stressed, I ask you to decide within your own heart what particular gift, quality, radiation and service you desire to leave as your heritage to the race. *Then,* build your momentum of qualified energy into your tube of light. Stay with that particular magnetization of a specific God virtue until you have consciously created an indestructible, personal forcefield, which becomes the Master control of all the energy you contact. Your personal satisfaction in such service will be reward enough in itself and Our gratitude to you will be eternal. Through that *specialized* radiation, We shall find a way and means by which to amplify that virtue, protection, gift and blessing to all life, when the requirement for such amplification becomes apparent!

Love and blessings,

MAHA CHOHAN.

The Statement for the Transmission Flame Class of October 15, 1955, is:

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"I AM"	inbreathing	th' balance	of love	and wisdom	and power	from Th' Cosmic	Christ
"	absorbing	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	expanding	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	projecting	"	"	"	"	"	"

Color of Flame: Yellow; Hierarch, the Ascended Master Kuthumi; Chohan of the Second Ray; Keynote, Melody of "Kashmiri Song" ("Pale Hands I Love"). Melody of "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life", (by Victor Herbert) may also be used for this Retreat.

GROUP LETTER FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

BELOVED FELLOW-STUDENT OF THE LIGHT: Sept. 1, 1955.

God bless you! In accord with the theme of our blessed "Bridge" this month—CONSTANCY—again, again, again we call forth in, through and around you the limitless blessings of every description from the glorious Presence of Light within each one, a stream of Whose very life beats each physical heart! This month, I call into the atmosphere and aura around your physical body, a beautiful, all-powerful Angel of Constancy to stand permanent guard over you as long as you are in embodiment; to watch your world daily; see what you need most and give Its loving assistance to manifest the fulfillment of that need, visible and tangible in your hands and use, right here in your outer world experience. "According to your faith, be it unto you!" Will you be kind enough to acknowledge the Presence of this Angel with you every day, even though you do not see It? BE CONSTANT and you shall have help of which you do not now dream! Angels *are* in this Universe and *they are as real as you are!* They always come at the call of love and They live *only* to serve and bless life.

CONSTANCY is one of the "Seven Steps to Precipitation," the name of our next book to come off the press. Without it, no form can be created, let alone be sustained.

"Keeping everlastingly at it brings success" is an old maxim and if you would like a little proof of what constant, cooperative calls to God can do, see page 29 of the August 15th, 1955, issue of "Life" magazine. Here is an article with pictures, concerning the 11 airmen who were prisoners of war for some time. A group of us has been decreeing (a positive form of prayer) for the return of these men to their homes as soon as possible and the article referred to is headed with the words "THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM AND HOME". We were very

much encouraged by this answer to our calls. We do not desire in any way to take "credit" for this manifestation; hundreds of people in all walks of life were most likely praying for them too BUT THE FACT IS—THOSE PRAYERS WERE ANSWERED and the men were released and brought home! *There is but ONE GOD*—ALL GOOD—(the Heavenly Father of us all) Who hears and answers every heart-call and sincere prayer, unuttered or expressed, when that prayer or call is CONSTANT—never "letting up" until the answer is in outer manifestation. With sincere gratitude from our hearts, we bless and thank all who helped to bring this release to these blessed men.

"Ask, *and ye shall receive . . .*"—Jesus. "Be not weary in well doing, for in due time ye shall reap—*if ye faint not!*"—St. Paul.

Constantly grateful to and for

"The Light of God that NEVER Fails"—

"I AM"

FRANCES K. EKEY

SUGGESTED DECREES

October 15th through November 14th, 1955

In the Name, Love, Wisdom, Power and Authority of my own beloved Presence of God "I AM" in me, I call directly to the beautiful Archaii CONSTANCE to answer this call for me, intensifying it without limit every day until I am wholly ascended and free:

Make and keep me *constant*
Beloved "I AM", to Thee!
Grateful for Thy Violet Fire
Whose use now sets me free;

Make and keep me *constant*
In my willingness to serve,
With oceans of forgiving love
Held always in reserve;

Make and keep me *constant*
When the human wants to quit;
Make me strong, courageous,
And Master over it!

Make and keep me *constant*
To the *very best* in me,
Giving joyous service
In Freedom's buoyancy;

Make and keep me *constant*
In faith, dissolving fear;
Let me live in "listening grace"
And feel the Master near!

Make and keep me *constant,*
From Love no more to roam;
Until my task is finished
And My Presence calls me "Home"!

UNITY—ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS

(Excerpts from the chapter on "The Diamond Heart" in "The Message of Aquaria" published by H. and F. Curtiss in 1921)

"We cannot form and manifest the Diamond Heart of the Order—which is its point of contact with the Divine Flame manifesting through all true spiritual inspiration—and the Order cannot take its place in the Diamond Heart of the world unless a proper matrix is formed. This is made up of living souls, each one in his or her own place, each one gathering and transmitting to the Heart Center the various ingredients necessary for its formation, and each one standing close and firm as a part of a protective matrix, yet like the matrix, open to the inflow of all the inner and higher forces.

There is work for each sincere student to do, if we are to have this Order so securely founded upon the Rock of Ages that it may become a nucleus of the New Age. We must determinedly gather the strength and the forces from the lessons of patience, tolerance, brotherhood, cheerfulness, faith and perseverence which we have learned in the environment (matrix) where the Great Law has placed us because of our past activities, that we may build those forces either into the matrix which supports and helps to bring forth the Diamond Heart of the Order, or perhaps into the very Diamond itself; for without the matrix the Diamond cannot be produced. Let us build these forces firmly into our own lives that we may also automatically become necessary particles that must be drawn into the Living Flame to become a part of the Diamond Heart; firstly of the Order and then of the world. Not one particle of diamond substance can be wasted.

It is well, however, for none of us to waste time in trying to impress on the world the fact that we as individuals may be a part of the Diamond itself; for only those particles which have endured the force of the Flame for ages are so prepared that they can be thus used; while all particles can be used for the matrix. *Let us be content to be built in wherever the Great Law needs the materials which we can furnish!* Suppose a wonderful child is to be born. Would the mother refuse to carry the child and give it her life-force and protection lest she be of less importance than the child? *Only as the Order forms such a matrix and holds up the hands of the Messengers through whom the Flame of Inspiration is flowing, can it form a glowing facet in the Diamond Heart of the world.* The hands symbolize the power of the Order to accomplish; hence to "hold up the hands of the Order" means to form a matrix which will make it possible for the Order to carry on, broadening the

work and spreading the teachings more widely throughout the world.

It will be remembered that when the Children of Israel while in the wilderness questioned: "Is the Lord among us or not?" they at once had to fight Amalek, who symbolized "doubt". Amalek and his tribe originally inhabited the shores of the Dead Sea, where earlier they were met and defeated by Abraham; but when Moses (the Law) led the Children of Israel out of Egypt, these same Amalekites were encountered all the way from the boundaries of Egypt even to the Promised Land. Both Saul and David defeated, yet did not annihilate them. So does the aspirant encounter doubt from the moment he turns away from following selfish desire (Pharaoh) and begins to follow the Divine Law (Moses) until he reaches the Promised Land; continually gaining victories yet never quite annihilating doubt.

The moment the Israelites began to question and doubt their leader, Amalek came upon them and the Great Law said to them: "Go out, fight with Amalek; tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God (power of the Law) in Mine hand * * * And it came to pass, when Moses held up His hand, that Israel prevailed; and when He let down His hand, Amalek prevailed." *When Moses became weary and could no longer hold up his hands, his faithful helpers put a stone under him that he might sit or rest on the Rock of Truth;* and Aaron and Hur stood one on either side and held up His hands, until the going down of the Sun; so that Israel prevailed over their doubts and lack of faith in the power of the Divine Law to lead them out of the wilderness into the Promised Land and to give them the power to conquer all obstacles on the way.

How often, like Moses, after assuaging the thirst of its followers by cleaving the Rock of Spiritual Understanding that its waters might flow forth, the hands of the Order grow heavy and weary because of the doubts and fears and lack of faith in the hearts of those whom it has led out of Egypt? *Often the hands grow weary and droop because the physical means is lacking to support the hands and carry on the work as it should be done;* to publish the books, to answer the personal letters promptly to translate the teachings into other languages for which there is such a crying need, and to accomplish the many other things which the students recognize as important and complain about when not done. Hence, like the Children of Israel, some of the students begin to ask: "Is the

Lord among us or not?" *Even a printer's error or a slight grammatical mistake in the transmission and expression of the message is sufficient to call out the forces of Amalek in the minds of a few.* If at such times, when Amalek seems to prevail, the close, devoted and understanding ones would step forward and place a stone or form a matrix of the Rock of Faith under the Order and, standing like Aaron and Hur on either side, hold up the hands of the Order, Israel (the followers) would continue to prevail.

The hands of the Order being its power to accomplish, the right hand symbolizes the exoteric work to be accomplished in the world by transmitting the lessons, spreading the teachings, publishing the books, lecturing, forming study-classes, etc. The left hand is the esoteric or personal work accomplished by the private correspondence and teachings of the true and devoted followers, helping them with their personal problems, answering their letters, transmitting the healing love and the personal advice of the Teacher to them, etc. *All this requires so much patience, time and strength, that the left hand often becomes utterly weary and needs to be upheld by understanding and love;* for it is the students of the Order, standing as Israel or "the chosen people"—those who have chosen to follow the Law Giver—who must stand close and fight Amalek for the good of all. His army is legion!

Who is the enemy? All those forces in the world that influence the minds of men—even the consciousness of those who have found their Soul-home in this Order—and persuade them that all this talk of a new and better era for mankind and of the near approach of the Great Teacher to Earth is not true. These are easily recognized as the same forces of Amalek that manifested at the beginning of the former eras. "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. * * * Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot. * * * Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed."

There is, therefore, work for all to do. No particle of the Diamond, even the chips and the dust which result from its cutting and polishing, is useless or wasted. Each can play an important part when wisely used. Let the Great Law, then, cut deeply. Let the polishing storms and trials of life sweep over us strongly and fiercely, if they must, for our polishing; for we fear not as long as the burning love of the Master's heart throbs close to ours. *Let us unite our efforts first to respond to the Divine Flame within; then*

to stand firm and uphold the hands of the Order, that the teachings may be spread abroad and lived out. Only as the Order, through its Messengers, holds up the hands (powers) given it to accomplish for the Master and humanity, can the Children of Israel (the diamond globules) prevail over the opposing forces of Amalek.

Beloved of the Flame! Do you love your Lord Who alone can fulfill the Law of your destiny? Do you realize and reckon with the mightiness of His power? Believe you in the absolutely unconquerable force of His oncoming? Like true diamonds, are you ready to bear the burning of His love until the dust and gravel—the earthiness of your personality—have been transmuted into a tiny crystal of diamond, ready and able to coalesce with others of like substance to form a facet in the Diamond Heart of Humanity?

Upon the threshold of the New Age we stand with bated breath and trembling feet; with eager eyes strained toward the mystic East to catch the first glimmerings of the coming dawn; scarce knowing whether the Earth will open and swallow us or whether an Angel shall suddenly throw wide the Temple of Light and reveal our Lord coming forth "in power and great glory." Yet, once we understand the Law of Manifestations, we shall work unceasingly to prepare the way and make straight His paths in our own lives and in the world, while we confidently await His Coming with quiet faith and serene joy."

MOST IMPORTANT WORDS

Remember them well, gentle readers! Please give them to any and all you contact who would be interested, for all can use them to advantage, protecting themselves and others in these days of disturbing activities of Nature.

"THE LIGHT OF GOD NEVER FAILS" (spoken 3 times consecutively, either silently or audibly as circumstances permit) form the distress call from humanity to The Great White Brotherhood. The moment that call goes up, every Ascended Master is instantly alerted and the one making the call receives assistance on the instant for himself and those for whom he calls. Think on this often—keep it in mind—have it ready in your consciousness for instant use, should any need arise. Your blessings will be manifold for this service rendered yourself and your fellowman!

Fraternally Yours

DEAR EDITOR: . . . "I like the decree for the water element in the "Bridge" recently (June issue). I'll tell you an incident where this decree was used in an unusual manner. It is my job to buy merchandise for our lumberyard and I drive our truck to Quincy, Ill., a distance of 100 miles round trip. Several weeks ago my two daughters went with me on such a buying trip, the youngest daughter doing the driving. When the truck was loaded there was not a cloud in the sky. Consequently, we did not tie the tarpaulin on, although we had almost $800. worth of material in sash, doors, lime, plywood, etc. which cannot stand rain. On the way home along the Mississippi River, a Missouri summer rain cloud appeared. However, the way the truck was loaded we could not find the tarpaulin to protect our load. My daughter, who was driving, turned to me and said "Get going with the decrees!" I had the "Bridge" with me with the water decree in it and began to give it. Believe it or not, during the whole storm, *not enough rain fell on our truck to cause the driver to start the windshield wipers,* although on either side of us an inch or more rain was reported to have fallen. When we arrived home, everyone wanted to know how we kept our material dry! . . . . . H.M.P., Kahoka, Mo.

EDITOR: Congratulations, dear, gentle reader! Thank you for *allowing* God to answer your sincere call by the faith you have in His never-failing love and concern for the welfare of His children. No need is too great or too small. Gratitude and blessing to the elements will always bring their co-operation and protection. "Keep on keeping on" building every day a greater momentum of that faith, until it actually, visibly and tangibly, removes "mountains of obstruction" from your way and the way of all the life you contact. Of such faithful and faith-loving ones is the Kingdom of Heaven composed. God bless you!